

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

PAYING TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL REYELTS

HON. SCOTT MCINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2001

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity and pay tribute to Michael Reyelts for his significant contributions to our educational system. Mr. Reyelts teaches English as a second language to students at the Colorado Mountain College in Rifle, Colorado. Through his lessons, he not only teaches English, but he also educates students on how to adapt to American society. He has been a positive influence on many members of our community.

Mr. Reyelts studied Spanish while attending high school and mastered the language while on a two-year church mission to Argentina, where he worked both in cities and in remote areas. Upon returning from Argentina, he attended Brigham Young University where he studied secondary education and English as a second language. In 1999, Michael received his masters in education with an emphasis in English as a second language.

Dozens of students attend his classes three nights a week. Michael has adopted a style of teaching that has proven to be very successful. He creates a comfortable atmosphere within the classroom by joking around with his students and making them feel at ease in what can be a stressful situation. His instruction certainly contains grammar lessons but Michael also tries to stress a practical understanding of the English language that his students will hear in every day life. Michael Reyelts does not stop simply at teaching the English language. He also relates current events to his students as a means of providing examples for understanding the English language.

Mr. Speaker, Michael Reyelts truly cares about his students and provides them with the valuable skills that increase their confidence and provide them more opportunities to reach their goals. I would like to thank him for his commitment to such an important cause and congratulate him on his achievements.

TO HONOR MS. LINDA MAZÓN-GUTIÉRREZ AS A RECIPIENT OF THE 12TH ANNUAL PROFILES OF SUCCESS HISPANIC LEADERSHIP AWARD

HON. ED PASTOR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PASTOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise before you today to recognize a special individual who was honored for her leadership qualities and service to her community. On September 5th, Ms. Linda Mazón-Gutiérrez was honored by

her peers at the Annual Profiles of Success Hispanic Leadership Awards presentation in Phoenix, Arizona. This event, coordinated by Valle del Sol, a local non-profit community based organization, kicks off National Hispanic Heritage Month in Arizona and is now in its twelfth year of honoring worthy individuals.

Honored in the category of Exemplary Leadership, Ms. Mazón-Gutiérrez, of Tucson, Arizona, was recognized for her dedication to advancing the growth and development of the Hispanic community through her work in various national and community organizations. She is a long time health care official currently serving as the Intergovernmental Administrator for the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS). In addition, she chairs the Board of Directors for the National Hispana Leadership Institute (NHLI) and is president of the Arizona Hispanic Women's Corporation. She is also a member of the Arizona Mexico Commission, the Arizona Children's Action Alliance Advisory Board, and the Tucson Chicanos Por La Causa Advisory Board.

Through her dedicated work in these organizations she improves the lives of her fellow Arizonans and Latinos. Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing Ms. Linda Mazón-Gutiérrez, who truly serves as a role model and inspiration to those dedicated to serving their community.

TRIBUTE TO MARVIN WESTMORE AND THE WESTMORE ACADEMY OF COSMETIC ARTS

HON. GARY G. MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute and honor the accomplishments of Marvin Westmore and the Westmore Academy of Cosmetic Arts.

Marvin Westmore, founder of the Westmore Academy of Cosmetic Arts, is a long-time supporter of numerous community programs such as the Boy Scouts of America, Avon breast cancer research, Starlight Children's Foundation, Golden Acres Adult Day Health Center, Beautiful People Awards for the Boys and Girls Clubs of America, local community high school fund raising programs, Grossman Burn Center and many other worthy endeavors.

Mr. Westmore, a pioneer in the field of medical cosmetics, has used his expertise to develop special make-up products and application techniques. He has trained thousands of students to help disfigured patients normalize their appearance and regain their self-confidence. Students in need of financial assistance are awarded full scholarships and given supplies at the finest make-up artists schools in the world, enabling them to realize their life-long dream of becoming professional make-up artists.

I salute the outstanding efforts of Mr. Westmore and sincerely thank him for the vital

and compassionate service which he has provided for those less fortunate in his community.

IN HONOR OF CAROL MAHLER, RECIPIENT OF UNITED WAY'S CONGRESSWOMAN MARY T. NORTON MEMORIAL AWARD

HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2001

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Carol Mahler, a recipient of United Way's Congresswoman Mary T. Norton Memorial Award. The award, which was created by the United Way of Hudson County in 1990, pays tribute to women who demonstrate an unwavering commitment to community service as exemplified by Congresswoman Norton during her 13 terms in the U.S. House of Representatives (1925–1950). Ms. Mahler will receive this award of Tuesday, September 25, 2001, at the Meadowlands Crowne Plaza Hotel in Secaucus, New Jersey.

Carol Mahler currently serves as Executive Director of the Visiting Homemaker Service of Hudson County (VHS). As Executive Director of this organization, she manages three facilities in Hudson County that provide nursing supervision and social services to individuals in need of short- or long-term health care assistance. In supervising the operations and activities of VHS of Hudson County, she is dedicated to ensuring that the elderly and those in need of nursing supervision are provided with quality health care services.

Ms. Mahler has an extensive and comprehensive background in providing nursing services. A 24-year veteran of the VHS staff, she holds nursing degrees from the Orange Memorial Hospital School of Nursing and Jersey City State College. Furthermore, she has a Masters Degree in Public Administration from New York University, where she received the Dean's Award for Leadership.

Outside of her commitments to VHS, Carol Mahler is an active participant in numerous health associations. She serves as Vice President of the Board of Directors for the Home Health Assembly of New Jersey and is a Member of the Commission on Accreditation for Home Care University, a subsidiary of the National Association for Home Care in Washington, D.C. In addition, she is a Member of the Board for the Hudson Prenatal Consortium.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Carol Mahler for the outstanding health care services that she has provided to the people of Hudson County. Through her efforts, the quality of life for many New Jersey residents has vastly improved.

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